

ABSTRACT

A method and apparatus are presented for transmitting, from an application
computer in communication with a gatekeeper which is connected to a data
5 network, messages indicative of telephone calls in progress at an endpoint of
the data network, or indicative of such endpoint, and transmitting, from the
gatekeeper to the application computer, messages indicative of a variety of
information contained in the telephone calls so as to process such information
for a variety of applications. The invention contains a method for providing to
10 a user of the system information relative to the incoming caller and to the
subject of the call.